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MAPAI CRISIS BREWING; B-G RESIGNATION POSSIBLE

By ARIE RATH, Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

There were no new developments in the crisis within Mapai yesterday, but the feeling was growing that the situation is critical. It now seems possible that any major decision that has to be taken will be delayed only until the end of the Congress, on January 11, and that Mr. Ben-Gurion will not simply go on prolonged leave and allow the party a month or more in which to find a solution to the problem created by the incomplete findings of the Ministerial Committee on the Lavon "Affair."

It is believed that Mr. Ben-Gurion may resign, and do so without himself making any new suggestions as to what should be done. He would thus leave it up to Mapai to make the proposals that he has considered necessary in the past. These would presumably include a legal inquiry into the entire background of the Lavon "Affair," in a form that would require Mr. Lavon himself to submit to cross-examination.

Mr. Ben-Gurion is known to hold that while the party has throughout been inclined to give way to what he considers Mr. Lavon's threats of further unpleasantness, it had neglected to heed his own warnings that such an approach could create an untenable situation. It is understood that Mr. Ben-Gurion has repeatedly emphasized that he is not placing the party before any choice between Mr. Lavon and himself, or asking that Mr. Lavon should resign his position. But he believes that it is essential that there should be a full and qualified inquiry into the "Affair."

The Mapai Secretariat is to meet in Jerusalem on Monday, for a formal discussion of the present crisis. The meeting was called at the suggestion of Mr. Levi Eshkol, who is now felt to be the only man who can produce workable proposals acceptable to Mr. Ben-Gurion, and thereby restore party unity. While Mr. Ben-Gurion rejects both the working methods employed by the Ministerial Committee and its findings, he is thought to have full confidence in Mr. Eshkol's desire to find an equitable solution.

Eshkol Unwilling

Mr. Ben-Gurion and Mr. Eshkol met again yesterday for the second time this week for a lengthy talk. It is understood that Mr. Eshkol is not willing to be Acting Prime Minister during Mr. Ben-Gurion's extended leave.

In view of Sunday's Cabinet vote accepting the Ministerial Committee's recommendations as final and binding, a renewed inquiry would involve some procedural problems. Should the Attorney-General decide that it is not possible to prosecute the "Senior Officer," it might nevertheless be decided that the charges against him warranted an inquiry, whose terms of reference could by a Cabinet vote be extended to cover all aspects of the "Affair." In that event the Cabinet would not have to cancel its acceptance of all the Ministerial Committee's decisions, but only that of accepting it as final.

Mr. Ben-Gurion is due to address young people from the Tel Aviv suburbs at the Mann Auditorium today at the Mapai-sponsored 40th Histadrut Anniversary rally.

NATHANYA'S TROUBLES

NATHANYA will have a new mayor today. The circumstances of his election are such as to be worth studying in detail by anyone interested in public affairs, because Nathanya has once more brought home the half-forgotten absurdity of municipal politics in Israel.

Nathanya is ruled by a coalition. None of the parties represented on the 15-man council can claim anything like a majority. Mapai, the largest party, has four councillors, others have three, two, or one. In the big sweep which brought Mapai up almost everywhere a year ago, Mapai captured the mayorality of Nathanya, supported among others, by the National Religious Party. Mr. David Fuchs, known for his administrative abilities and vision, was asked by Mapai to leave his post at the Ministry of Agriculture to become Mayor of the flourishing city.

The consensus of opinion in Nathanya is that Mr. Fuchs has done a good job. Nathanya, a creation of Mr. Oved Ben-Ami and a small group of his relatives and followers, had been run for many years as a kind of family concern. Mr. Ben-Ami did not feel obliged to confide in the electorate over-much in connection with municipal problems, except when rates were fixed. Autocratic rule was the tradition when Mr. Moshe Shaked, a relative and a rival of Mr. Ben-Ami, took over. Mr. Ben-Ami, once a Progressive, had become a General Zionist in the meantime, and it is Mr. Shaked who has represented Mr. Rosen's party in Nathanya for some years. Neither man joined the coalition led by Mapai, although the Progressives in practically all coalitions have joined with Mapai. Obviously, both were seeking a way to come back.

The opportunity was offered two or three months ago, when the good relations between Mapai and the National Religious party leaders cooled over the Rabbinate elections issue. In the changed atmosphere, it was easy for Nathanya religious councillors to change their affiliation and join a combination of Mr. Ben-Ami, Mr. Shaked and Herut. It is claimed that the National Religious councillors were not satisfied with the share in the administration allowed them by Mr. Fuchs. Nobody will specify today exactly what advantages the National Religious expect from Mr. Ben-Ami, but that is immaterial. Whatever they are, the advantages seem sufficient for the two Nathanya councillors to resist all suggestion that they return either from Mapai or from their own party headquarters.

The people of Nathanya have nothing to say in the matter, and the change is the result of a political combination in which they are helpless to intervene, if they wish to do so. One cannot even say, as it is often said of elections elsewhere, that the citizen will have his chance of voting down an administration he dislikes when the Council stands for re-election. For the facts of Israel politics are such that a voter can only say which party he supports, but has no say concerning the coalition this party may or may not enter.

A change of system would make little difference for the citizen in the case of a municipality. Had the political parties been eliminated in local elections and councillors elected to represent sectional interests or quarters of the town, the chances of a stable coalition between totally unrelated representatives would be even harder to achieve than at present.

There seems only one practical way of saving municipalities from the disaster of such experiments, and that is to elect the mayors by direct vote. The idea is not a new one, but it is still a good one.

That does not mean that a mayor elected by direct suffrage instead of by the councillors would have an easy life. He will have to depend on the support of a majority, and a majority in Israel means a coalition. However, the fact that he cannot be removed until the next municipal elections will make for stability. The councillors, of course, would have less responsibility than now — and that is why the splinter parties have been opposed to the direct vote. The councillors, however, would better be able to perform their real duty, namely that of being watch-dogs for the citizen in keeping an eye on the administration.

In municipalities, at any rate, administrative should take precedence over politics.

Histadrut to Approve Wage Proposals Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Executive is today expected to approve the Mapai wage proposals as its official policy for the coming two years.

The proposals were approved by the Histadrut Trades Union Department last night over the opposition of Ahdut Ha'avoda-Mapam, Haoved Hasioni, the General Zionist member and the Hapoel Hamizrahi member. The Poalei Agudat Yisrael delegate supported the Mapai proposals.

The proposed increases are to cost IL70m. annually, according to the estimate of the Histadrut Trade Union Department head, Mr. Aharon Becker. They call for an average 6 per cent rise for workers in production and low grade service employees, and for a 1.5 per cent rise in seniority allowances for public officials.

Mr. Becker promised that the department would be able to review the national collective agreement for cost-of-living allowance payments when it comes up for renewal shortly.

The wage policy will serve as the basis for the negotiations on the renewal of the national collective labour contracts, which expire on Saturday midnight.

MOSCOW AND BONN SIGN TRADE PACT

BONN (AP). — West Germany and the Soviet Union have agreed on a new trade pact, the Government announced yesterday. Apparently, the crucial question of Berlin's economic status has been settled.

At the same time, West Germany continued trade talks with Communist East Germany in East Berlin, where the same question on the divided city has remained the stumbling bloc. Negotiators failed to agree after 6½ hours yesterday and adjourned until today.

In both cases, West Germany wants West Berlin treated as part of the economy of West Germany because they are tied together by a common currency. This also would insure open communications to Berlin.

Meanwhile, the Bonn Economic Ministry reported yesterday that West Germany has had an "extraordinarily successful year."

The national income rose by about 11 per cent to a total of 274,000m. marks (about £22,833m.), he said. Wages and salaries rose by about 12 per cent and real purchasing power was increased.

Police in Brussels, Ghent Use Tear-Gas to Disperse Strikers

BRUSSELS (AP).—Violence flared in two cities yesterday and Socialist union leaders promptly called for a general strike in Antwerp to protest police use of tear-gas and fire hoses.

Ghent and Brussels were the scenes of the clashes. Strikers in Ghent were trying to force workers out of the gas works' administrative office when police used teargas for the first time in the eight-day strike aimed at toppling the Government of Premier Gaston Eyskens.

In the afternoon, streetcars were stoned and demonstrators destroyed a Christmas crib in the Ghent city square. One demonstrator was arrested carrying a sharpened bayonet.

The strikers in Ghent captured two gendarmes and are holding them as hostages in case strikers are arrested, a Socialist Party spokesman said.

In this capital, demonstrators broke windows of streetcars and buses that defied their picket cordons. Police on foot and horseback dispersed them.

The city was tense but quiet as night fell.

Antwerp, lying in the Flemish northern section, has not been hit as hard by the strike, which has paralyzed the Socialist strongholds in the industrial and French-speaking south.

Back-to-Work Move

The Government had reported a back-to-work movement in Antwerp, except for workers in the big port installations. If successful, the Antwerp call would spread the general strike to an important Flemish area, where many are Social Christians, and back M. Eyskens, himself a Social Christian.

Union officials reported about 60,000 workers were on strike, locked out, or blocked from going to work in Antwerp. The region has about 100,000 Socialist union members, an equal number of Social Christians and an undetermined number of unorganized workers. The Social Christians are unlikely to follow the Socialist strike call.

Two Social Christian representatives who met yesterday with Mr. Eyskens told newsmen after the meeting: "The general impression is that the situation is improving."

Pact with FLN May Be to Israel's Cost

By MAURICE CARR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Something of a stir has been caused by an article in "Le Monde" warning of the danger of a French settlement with the FLN at Israel's expense. According to the author, Alfred Fabre-Luce, a well-known publicist, France is liable to be blackmailed by the FLN into accepting "concerted action against Israel" in the diplomatic field.

France, he explains, might take this "shameful course" in order to redeem "hostages" — European settlers and pro-French Moslems in Algeria whom the FLN would otherwise savagely oppress.

"This," Fabre-Luce adds, "is not written haphazardly," indicating he has serious grounds for his statement.

Asked in an interview to indicate his sources, Fabre-Luce told me he learned during his visit in Algeria that local moderate FLN elements, who had been unofficially contacted by the French, laid down an anti-Israel policy as an indispensable condition of a working arrangement between France and an FLN-run Algeria.

"An Algerian Algeria associated with France" could not long remain associated with France in defence, economic and other spheres if the two countries' diplomatic endeavours ran counter to each other; their foreign policies would necessarily have to be concerted — against Israel.

This correspondent heard a different account from moderate FLN elements in Algeria. They assured me, as an Israel correspondent, that they would heartily welcome an Arab-Israel peace, which they consider essential to the resurgence of Near East civilization.

FRENCH SHRUG OFF PROTESTS AT BLAST

PARIS (UPI). — The French Government shrugged off protests over its third nuclear explosion in the Sahara Desert and moved ahead yesterday with plans to harness the atom for defence and peace.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman made clear that Moscow Radio's denunciation of the atomic test as a "monstrous challenge to world opinion," and angry reaction from African and other countries would not stop the French test series.

New York Police Chief In Contempt of Court

NEW YORK (AP). — New York Police Commissioner Stephen P. Kennedy was yesterday held in contempt of court and threatened with jail for failure to heed a court order against assigning police to higher-ranking duties without giving them higher titles and pay.

He was given 10 days to comply with the order.

U.S. Observer Plane Hit over Laos

VIENTIANE (AP).—An unarmed American plane observing Soviet air-drops to Pathet Lao rebels on Tuesday received a burst of machinegun fire, possibly from a Soviet Ilyushin transport, the U.S. Military Attaché's office here reported yesterday.

The plane, though hit in the left engine and fuselage, managed to reach Vientiane, where it will need some repairs.

US Air Force, Navy Secretaries Named

PALM BEACH, Florida (UPI). — President-Elect John Kennedy yesterday appointed Mr. Eugene Zuckert, former Atomic Energy Commissioner, as Secretary of the Air Force, and Mr. John B. Connally, jr. a close political associate of Vice-President-Elect Lyndon Johnson, Navy Secretary. The appointment of an Army Secretary is expected shortly.

4 Yemeni Princes Held, Suspected of Plot

CAIRO (Reuter). — Yemeni sources here said yesterday that the Imam Ahmed of Yemen has imprisoned four Yemeni princes suspected of planning a coup against the throne.

All had travelled in Europe and the U.S. and wished to introduce social reforms into Yemen, the sources said.

NASSER SAILING TO MOROCCO

CAIRO (Reuter).) — Abdel Nasser left Alexandria for Casablanca yesterday on board the presidential yacht, Horreya, to attend the conference of African heads of state, opening in Rabat on January 3.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A party of 17 South African Jewish boys and girls and their adult leader returned to their Capetown camp yesterday afternoon unaware that a combined air and ground search had been carried out for them.

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Eight Held in India On Spying Charges

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Security officers are reported to have arrested eight suspects following the disappearance of a secret government dossier on Indo-Soviet atomic collaboration.

Two suspects appeared in court here Tuesday on charges under the Official Secrets Act.

The "Times of India" said three spy rings had been uncovered — one working for a Communist country, one for a European country and one for "a neighbouring government."

Ben-Gurion Calls on Congress For Movement 'Zionwards'

The Prime Minister addressing yesterday morning's session of the Zionist Congress.

Aliya at Centre of Debate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The theme "Congress of Aliya" was clearly reflected yesterday, when most speakers in the general debate—which was opened in the afternoon by Members of the Jewish Agency Executive—devoted the bulk of their remarks to the problems of immigration from the free countries.

Mrs. Rose Halprin, Chairman of the Executive in New York, urged that Ideology take a back seat for a while. "The Diaspora exists and there's a job to be done there," she said, adding that content must be restored to Jewish life abroad before it was too late.

Threats and cajolery would not bring about immigration, Mrs. Halprin said. Immigration would come from positive reasons. But, in addition the practical aspect must not be ignored. There must be adequate housing and understanding with regard to provisions for importing personal belongings.

Mr. Ya'acov Tsur warned that a feeling of complacency might come about from the very success of the Zionist movement. Since almost every Jew supported Israel in one way or another, the movement might stand pat and cease to be a fighting ideological force at a time when assimilation was a growing danger.

One-Party Zionism

Zionism is called upon to campaign for the conquest of the Jewish communities, Mr. Tsur said. But if it is to succeed the movement could not remain only a federation of parties, for then it would never be able to win over the masses. "Zionism in the Diaspora is one party, and the existing parties are but factions within it."

Rabbi Mordechai Kirshblum declared that this must be a Congress of Zionist consciousness. The Congress must resolve unequivocally that Zionism derives its strength from the State of Israel.

The State without religion is like a body without a soul, Rabbi Kirshblum said. "We don't want to monopolize anything, but Jewish education without religion — particularly in the Diaspora — is doomed."

Thanking Mr. Ben-Gurion "for the things he left unsaid," Dr. Emanuel Neumann noted that the Prime Minister had tried to avoid acrimony.

The American Zionist movement did not idealize Jewish life in the Diaspora, he said. Nevertheless, it was aware of the fact that Jews would continue to live in America as Jews, and wished to influence the development of that community from within.

Commenting on Mr. Ben-Gurion's statement in the morning — "I'm a Jew first of all, and then an Israeli" — Dr. Neumann asked whether this could also be said to be the attitude of sabra youth. The encounter with young Israelis abroad was not always a happy one. "We're not Jews, but Israelis," was the attitude often taken.

Mr. Meir Grossman said that the movement today needed a small, disciplined organization, whose members are planning to immigrate — "persons who look upon themselves as potential citizens of Israel." What was not needed, he emphasized, was a large organization of millions of members who are, not really Zionists but "mere ballast."

But, he said, it was "an illusion, narrow-mindedness and self-deception" to think that the state could carry out the functions now fulfilled by the Zionist Organization.

Jewish Education

Mr. Louis Segal said it was the task of every Zionist to spread Jewish education. And if there was no Jewish-ness in a home, it could not be called the home of a Zionist.

The first speaker from the floor after the members of the Executive, Mr. Wolf Perry (Zionist Confederation, Britzia), said that if the budgets needed to implement immigration and education policies were not forthcoming, it would be better to stop talking about these subjects altogether.

Mr. Moshe Kerem (formerly Murray Weingarten, Mapai, Israel) said that the main motivation of immigration must be the attraction of Israel.

All speeches in the afternoon session were in English or Yiddish. But the chairman of the session, Mr. Moshe Sharett, of course spoke Hebrew.

Begin: All Jews Have One Home

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Calling for increased immigration under the banner of "Ziona" (to Zion), Prime Minister Ben-Gurion made the major address of yesterday's sessions of the Zionist Congress. It was an impassioned plea for aliya, particularly by young people of the well-established, prosperous communities.

In what was regarded as Mr. Ben-Gurion's answer to the debate over "what is Zionism," the Prime Minister coined the word "Ziona" to describe the concept of "redemption that filled the spiritual world of the pioneers of the last generations who brought us to our goal, the establishment of the State of Israel." (Full report of Mr. Ben-Gurion's speech on Page Two.)

Mr. Ben-Gurion spoke, in Hebrew, for an hour and three quarters, hammering his points home with blows of his fist.

The Premier prefaced his address to the crammed auditorium by telling his audience that it should not expect his speech to contain disclosures or polemics. Nevertheless, some of Mr. Ben-Gurion's statements in connection with aliya sometimes sent a rustle through the audience. Stepping down from the podium, Mr. Ben-Gurion received a thunderous ovation.

Not Scaffolding

In the evening session, Mr. Menahem Begin, the Herut leader, in an emotional speech in Hebrew which held the audience, that had been reinforced by Herut supporters, called for the rejuvenation of the Zionist Organization. He asked why people who loved Zionism were told they are not Zionists.

Mr. Begin spoke disparagingly of the statement that the W.Z.O. was a scaffolding which could be dispensed with now that the State was established. The State, like the Binyanei Ha'ooma (where the Congress is being held), was not completed. We have not even passed a quarter of the way. One-sixth of the Jewish people was in the Homeland, while a fifth of the Homeland is in the State. He jocularly derided certain Jewish communities, particularly in the U.S., for their allergy to the word "gola" (exile), preferring the word "Tfutza" (diaspora) because exile apparently had an alien ring to their ears, or they considered it dangerous. "I suggest to them — just don't translate — use the term 'gola' which is historically true." He drew on Borochov, the Socialist-Zionist theoretician, to show that "normal exiles become abnormal exiles."

He said "the anti-French forces in Algeria were also anti-Israel, anti-Jewish and pogromists. The Jews there are in peril of physical extinction and we must rescue them in time."

Luz Eulogizes Yosef Sprinzak

Tribute to Yosef Sprinzak, Knesset Speaker until his death in January 1959 and President of the 24th Zionist Congress, was paid last night by Knesset Speaker Kadish Luz at the opening of last night's session of the Zionist Congress in Jerusalem.

Mr. Luz recalled that Sprinzak helped found the Theirei Zion movement in his native Russia at the turn of the century, and remained in the forefront of the Zionist movement after coming to Israel in 1908. The unity of the nation was a sacred value to him and he worked "to bridge differences, real or imaginary, and to create those conditions, without any wavering of values, which would lead to cooperation between all sections of the nation within a broad framework."

The U.N. vote making warmonger Nasser responsible for peace through membership in the Security Council should have aroused alarm among the entire Jewish people, in its own interest and in the interest of the entire free world, Mr. Begin said. He called for an outright campaign against the Arab boycott.

Mr. Begin said, "We must never justify a lack of immigration because of conditions in Israel," and said Israel's economic regime of the past 13 years was an obstacle to immigration from the free world.

Talks About Dreyfus

During his address, Mr. Begin referred to the Dreyfus case and the many years it took for justice to triumph, then alluded to "a case of merely five years ago." Although he made no reference to it, his party, Herut, is expected to propose to Congress the creation of an enquiry commission into the assassination of Arlosoroff.

The next speaker, and the last of the day, Mr. Meir Argov (Inud Olami-Mapai), gave over his 10-minute [illegible] to refuting some of Mr. Begin's more dramatic declarations and drew applause from the gallery.

Mr. Max Bressler, President of the Zionist Organization of America, presided over the evening session.

The morning session elected a Presidium, as proposed by Mr. Berl Locker, Chairman of

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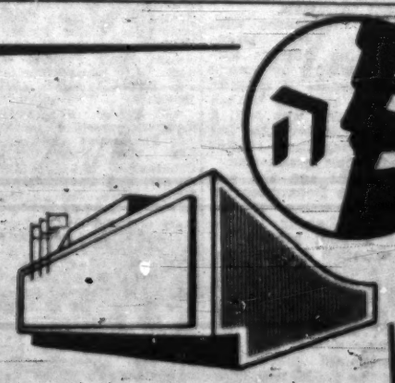

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Social & Personal

President Ben-Zvi yesterday received the heads of the Christian communities in Israel on the occasion of the New Year.

The Chief Rabbi of Great Britain and Ireland and Mrs. Israel Brodie visited the Hebrew University yesterday and were the luncheon guests of the President, Prof. S. Mazar.

The "Parachutists' House" Cultural Centre in Kibbutz Maagan, established with the aid of Local 10, I.L.G.W.U. in honor of Moe Falikman, Vice-President, I.L.G.W.U., was dedicated with the participation of members of the Knesset and of the Histadrut Executive, members of Maagan and Ihud Hakibbutzim V'hevutzot. Greetings were extended by Messrs. Israel Merom and Ze'ev On on behalf of Histadrut, and Mr. B. Yosef on behalf of Maagan. Mr. Falikman extended his thanks and appreciation.

The Director-General of the Ministry of Social Welfare yesterday held a reception for 20 senior social workers from England, the U.S., Canada and Austria in Israel as part of a study tour of the Middle East.

Dr. M. Mani will speak on "The Israel Medical Mission to Congo" at the weekly meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at 1.15 p.m. today, Z.O.A. House.

Prof. John Yudkin, of the University of London, will lecture on "Life without B-Vitamins — The Story of Sorbitol," today, at 5 p.m., in Lecture Hall "B," Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School.

Prof. Paul Erdös will lecture on "Some Combinatorial Problems in Set Theory" under the auspices of the Hebrew University, today, at 4.15 p.m., in the Mathematics Building, the University campus.

The Harvard Club of Israel is renewing its activities. All Harvard Alumni who have not yet done so are requested to send their names and addresses to the Secretary, Harvard Club of Israel, P.O.B. 1348, Tel Aviv.

The Eden Hotel, Jerusalem, invites you to spend New Year's Eve of Saturday, December 31, 1960, in the cheerful comfort of the Bar with famous orchestra and entertainment till dawn. For table reservations phone 24404, Jerusalem. (Advt.)

An Appreciation

MEYERA CANTOR

Meyera Cantor, who died in a car accident on Sunday at 33, was a graduate of the first course in Occupational Therapy opened at the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

Soon after the War of Independence, she opened the Occupational Therapy Department at Assaf Harofe Hospital for war casualties. Her next position was at Jerusalem's Avihail Hospital. Where she was again responsible for opening the Occupational Therapy Department.

Just as in the other hospitals in which she worked, here too a gentle and warm personality was felt by all — both patients and staff.

On her return from advanced study in the United States, she became the Government Supervisor of Occupational Therapy in all Chest Hospitals. In 1953, she become National Coordinator of the Occupational Therapy Courses. In the seven years she held this post, Meyera was instrumental in bringing up a whole generation of occupational therapists.

Working incessantly, with the devotion so characteristic of her, Meyera succeeded in building up among doctors a favourable attitude towards this auxiliary branch of medicine. She was both a friend and adviser to her students during their studies and after their graduation.

Two months ago she was invited by the Department of Vocational Training of the Ministry of Labour to administer a pilot project for the organization of vocational training for handicapped. It was while on this project, working with the Swedish expert, Mr. Folke Oesterdahl, sent here under United Nations auspices that she and Mr. Oesterdahl met their death in the car he was driving back from Nazareth on December 25.

A good and faithful friends has been taken from us. Her memory will always be with us.

The Organization of Occupational Therapists in Israel.

Mikhoels' Birthday Observed in Moscow

PARIS (INA). — The 70th anniversary of the birth of Solomon Mikhoels, the noted stage artist who fell victim to a Stalinist purger was celebrated at Moscow this week with a special programme in the City's largest theatre, it was announced by the Communist Jewish press here.

Fellow Jewish and non-Jewish artists, including pupils of Mikhoels, paid tribute to him. An exhibit devoted to Mikhoels has also been opened in the Soviet Actors House, it was announced.

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B-G: Our Future Hangs on Aliya

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion said yesterday that Israel's fate hinges on the question of *aliya*.

Addressing the morning session of the Zionist Congress in Jerusalem, Mr Ben-Gurion said, the kind of immigration needed was that of "young, pioneering, cultured and productive elements."

Upon such immigration the existence, security, independence and well being of Israel depend, said the Prime Minister.

"Those who are pushed into immigration only by suffering do not have the material and spiritual qualities to develop in Israel a people that will be a blessing and an example to the whole of Jewry — at least not in the next 10 or 20 years," he said.

"During this period, it is very possible that the fate of Israel will be settled — to be or not to be, whether it will be a State that radiates light to the entire Jewish people and perhaps to the world, or will become — Heaven forbid — a Levantine State," declared Mr. Ben-Gurion.

The speaker called on the Jewish communities of the U.S., Britain, Latin America, South Africa and Western Europe, to send their young people to Israel for at least a year of study. "It is clear that thousands of these young people after seeing for themselves what the Jewish State has done and what it still has to do, would willingly and enthusiastically join the builders and creative workers."

'Creeping Assimilation'

One or two hundred thousand young people coming every year to study from all the prosperous countries "would change the face of Israel and of world Jewry."

Mr. Ben-Gurion said there existed within the younger generations of Jews in all countries latent pioneering drives and spiritual needs "deeper than the interest in a salary, an automobile, a job and a well appointed apartment."

In blunt terms, the Prime Minister warned of "creeping assimilation." Except for the Orthodox minority — which was not Zionist in name but had in the past sent many immigrants — "the Judaism of the Jews of the U.S. and similar countries is losing all meaning," declared Mr. Ben-Gurion.

In several totalitarian and Moslem countries, Judaism is in danger of death by strangulation, he said. In the free and prosperous countries, "it faces a slow and imperceptible decline into the abyss of assimilation."

The Prime Minister called on the Congress to ... immigration and to impose the obligation of personal ties with Israel by visits, capital investments and sending children to study in Israel. Hebrew education for the younger generation was also of utmost importance.

Mr. Ben-Gurion dwelt on "the isolation and paralysis of Russian Jewry for the past 40 years, a situation which taught us that forces existed in the world that possessed "not only the capacity but the desire to impose *spiritual* silence and annihilation on millions of Jews under their control, without the Jewish people in the world being able to do anything about it."

The Prime Minister continued: "The Soviet Union has recognized in theory and, in large measure, realized in practice the principle of self-determination and the development of its own language, literature and culture for every community and tribe within its borders. But — *kromel yaroyev* — except for the Jews."

Nothing has united the Jewish people to the extent that the State of Israel has done, said the speaker. "I regard the unity of the Jewish people as a primary condition for its survival — and the survival of Israel as well. As I have said elsewhere, I am a Jew first, and an Israeli afterwards."

Zionism and Messiah

Through the centuries, continued Mr. Ben-Gurion, the main stimulus for immigration to Israel was the Messianic vision of national redemption and revival. In the last 70 years, this has been given the name of Zionism but it was real and alive before the term was coined. It lived in the hearts of tens of thousands of Jews who settled in Israel after it was coined, but never described themselves as Zionists, and the term has remained foreign to them to this day."

Turning to the problems of Israel today, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion said the country's economic future and international standing depend on closer economic and political relations with the countries of Asia and Africa.

"We cannot compel our neighbours to make peace with us. The competition between East and West, and the aspirations of the Soviet Union and its allies, as well as China, to win the hearts of the Asian and African nations, help to deepen the gulf between us and our neighbours.

"Only if we can win friends in Asia and Africa, while strengthening our friendships with the peoples of Europe and the Americas, will we be able to breach the wall of hatred by which we are surrounded."

The Arab Threat

Although Israel twice emerged victorious in trials of strength because of her qualitative superiority, "we must not assume that the Arabs particularly Egypt — are standing still," the Prime Minister warned. There were tens of thousands of Arab students studying at universities in the Arab States, the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, East Germany the United States, Britain and France, said Mr. Ben-Gurion. Hundreds of Soviet instructors were working to improve the Egyptian army, and Soviet arms were flowing unceasingly into Egypt and Syria. Israel's superiority would continue to play an important role, but the quantitative aspect could not be ignored, particularly as there was also an improvement in organization, training and weapons.

"The growth of our young forces is becoming a matter of life and death," said the Prime Minister.

NEUMANN G-Z'S ELECT EXECUTIVE

The World Confederation of General Zionists headed by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, has elected a new 17-member World Executive.

Members are Dr. Neumann, Mr. M. Bressler, Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum, Mr. L. Plutovich, Mr. J. Torczyner and Mr. A. Redelheim (U.S.); Mr. H. Gezang (Argentina); Mr. R. Aron (Chile-Israel); Mr. L. Dultzin (Mexico-Israel); Mr. M. Anisfeld (Belgium); Mr. J. Crida (France); Mr. J. Mercer (Australia), and Messrs. J. Saphir, Ch. Levanon, Y. Serlin, Jan Cohen, B. Winstein and Dr. Stupp (Israel).

Mrs. Ashkenasi (France) was elected as representative of the G.Z. women, and Mr. Guideon Patt, as representative of the G.Z. Youth Movement, "Israel Hatzaira."

Goldmann Repeats Resignation Threat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, again warned the parties represented in the Jewish Agency that he would refuse to continue in office unless a satisfactory Executive is appointed for the Agency.

At a meeting yesterday afternoon with members of all the parties, Dr. Goldmann said his plan would increase the efficiency of the Executive and all Agency Departments. He demanded that other parties should follow Mapai's example (Mr. Moshe Sharett) and delegate top calibre members to the Executive, even without portfolio.

As regards his proposal for a new full-time Israel Chairman of the Executive, Dr. Goldmann again asked for Dr. Israel Goldstein, who has so far declined the post. He noted that Mr. Sharett and Dr. Giora Josephthal had also declined.

Dr. Goldmann is to meet separately with each party, at the parties' suggestions. On Friday, he will report back to the same representatives present yesterday.

Dr. Goldmann yesterday also reiterated his proposal for a "wall to wall" Executive, including Herut.

What Reforms Are in Store For Algeria if Referendum Passes

PARIS (Reuter).—The French Government on Tuesday night lifted the curtain partially on the self-government measures General de Gaulle intends to introduce in Algeria immediately after the national referendum of January 8.

Taking for granted that a solid majority of voters would support the referendum in favour of the principle of self-determination for Algeria, the Cabinet decided on steps for the decentralization of administration there.

The new measures include the creation of 32 important civil service posts for Moslems, including 11 sub-prefects. Algeria is at present divided into 13 departments, with a prefect — chief government official — at the head of the administration in each.

These new posts for the present have only administrative and economic functions, said the Minister of Information, M. Louis Terrenoire, since the creation of new political functions in Algeria can only be carried out after the referendum, supposing it is favourable.

According to informed sources, the Government is contemplating creating a capital away from the city of Algiers, a sort of Washington for Algeria, which will be sheltered from the emotions and agitation of the ultra-nationalist element among the European population of the present capital.

The plan reportedly also includes transfer of Army headquarters to Memerville (35 miles east of Algiers) and Zeralda (17 miles west). The headquarters of the air force, which is reputedly solidly pro-de Gaulle, would be moved out to Telergma.

A variation of the plan is to leave the chief French Government official, M. Jean Morin, in Algiers, but to move parts of the administration to Philippeville and Bougie.

The master plan provides for the creation of an Algerian parliament with certain legislative powers and an executive dealing with Algerian affairs other than defence, foreign affairs, currency and higher education.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
422, 236.4, 249 & 220 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.00, 7.00 and 7.35 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.
English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Religious Service. 6.40 Musical Clock (R). 6.50 Exercises. 6.40 Musical Clock. 6.58 Programme Announcements. 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Programme Announcements. 11.01 Popular Concert: Mendelssohn: Overture "A Midsummer Night's Dream"; Beethoven: Romance No. 2 in F, for Violin & Orchestra (Soloist: Zino Francescatti); Haydn: Symphony No. 50 in C; Rossini: Sonata No. 5 for Strings. 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.30 "Asian Music Festival — Vietnam. 1.00 Lunchtime Music. 1.15 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Programme for Tourists, presented by Y. Lev. 5.05 Programme Announcements. 5.06 The Public Hygienic Problems. 5.15 Children's Corner. 5.30 Youth Corner. 6.00 Daily News Service for the Agriculturist. 6.03 Weekly Summary of the Daily Mishna Reading, by Dr. A. Arazi. 6.20 Sports. 6.35 Programme for the "Kadish" Day — ed. by B. Zviely. 7.20 "The Week at the Knesset." 7.50 Hebrew Songs. 8.20 New Records of Classical Music. 8.48 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, Chaps. 11 & 12. 8.55 Announcements. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Spot Announcement. 9.35 Interview with Leah Goldberg on Literature — by Y. Ben Porath. 10.00 Beethoven: Sonata in A, for Cello and Piano, opus 69 played by Alexander Stein and Sarah Rabinovits. 10.30 Young Israel Composers. Yoram Paporisch and Shulamit Rand. 11.30 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
460, 302.7 & 422.5 M.

Commercial Programme: 5.00 p.m. News. 5.05 Opening Announcements. 5.06 Melodies. 5.40 "Star of the Evening". 5.55 News. 6.00 Hebrew Songs. 6.15 "What I Heard this Week". 6.29 Close Down.

9.30 p.m. Opening. 9.31 Entertainment Programme ed. by Y. Shimoni & A. Ahi-Neomi. 10.15 Musical Show. 10.45 Quiet Tunes. 11.00 News. 11.10 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 Rumanian. 6.45 Hungarian. 7.00 French. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Hebrew. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Yiddish. 9.00 News in English. 9.15 Polish. 9.20 Close Down.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (32.7 M.): Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.25 Report from the World Zionist Congress. 10.30 Music. 10.55 Hebrew Conversation.

Programme to South Africa: 6.45 News. 6.55 Report from the World Zionist Congress. 7.00 Music. 7.55 Afrikaans Programme.

ARMY PROGRAMME (218, 322 and 232 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.05 Request Programme. 6.45 Tune & Rhythm. 6.55 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 Worth Listening To. 7.25 Bow and Arrow. 8.00 Hebrew Songs. 8.25 "Army Diary." 8.45 Intermezzo. 9.00 News. 9.05 Weekly Symphony Concert Works by Liszt, Nielsen & Beethoven. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCAST: (31.55, 25.13 & 19.31 M.): 7.45 p.m. News. News Commentary. British Affairs.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION — English Programme (434 & 498 M.): News: 7.20 a.m., 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m. 7.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 8.00 Melodies & Memories. 8.30 Popular Light Orchestra. 9.00 Miniature Concert. 9.30 Emergency. 9.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 Felix King. 10.30 B.B.C. Bandstand. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Teller of Tales. 12.00 Midday Melodies. 2.15 p.m. "The Name is Shane." 2.30 "Yours Sincerely." 6.45 The Lanitis Programme. 7.45 Strange Stories of the Sea. 8.15 Vera Lengyel (Piano). 10.00 Vanished Without Trace. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Danger Point.

VOICE OF AMERICA
English Programme

5.00 a.m. News. 5.15 United Nations in Action — On-the-scene Coverage of the U.N. Proceedings. 6.00 News. 6.15 Repeat of 5.15. 7.00 News. 7.15 Journalists' Digest — Excerpts from the News Analyses of prominent U.S. Newspaper Columnists. 8.00 Report to Europe: News; Regional Feature—to be announced. 9.00 Report to Africa: News; Regional Feature — to be announced. 3.00 p.m. Report to South Asia: News; Regional Feature — Ward Morehouse Discussion of Asian Studies. 4.00 News; News Analysis. 4.15 The Arts in America — Year Ender in Arts —, Review of the Arts Field in the U.S. during 1960. 5.00 News; News Analysis. 5.15 Report to Middle East: Regional Feature — Interview with G. Ernest Wright on Archaeological Finds in Jordan. 6.00 News. 6.15 Journalists' Digest — Repeat of 7.15. 7.00 Report to Middle East: News; Regional Feature — Repeat of 5.15. 7.30 Listener's Log — What's Ahead for 1961 (ABC) Roundtable Newsweek. 8.00 Report to Africa: News; Regional Feature — Repeat of 5.00 Feature. 8.30 The Arts in America — Repeat of 4.15. 8.45 Press Opinion, U.S.A. 9.00 News in Special English. 9.15 Music, U.S.A. (Popular)—Popular Singers — Part III. 10.00 News in Special English. 10.15 Music, U.S.A. (Jazz). 11.00 News; News Analysis. 11.15 Folk Music. 11.30 Forum (Visual Arts) The Art Museum as a Community Centre — Leslie Cheek, Jr., Richmond, Virginia. 12.00 News; News Analysis. 12.15 The Arts in America — Repeat of 4.15.

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LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post
December 29, 1960

In the Supreme Court Sitting as High Court Of Justice
Before Justices Sussman, Berinson and Cohn.

Juliana Friedlander, Petitioner, v. The Competent Authority for the Purposes of the Invalids (Nazi Persecution) Law, Respondents (H.C. 207/60).

Israel Invalids of Nazi Persecution Not Entitled To Retroactive Medical Expenses

The High Court discharged an order nisi calling on the competent authorities to show cause why they should not refund to the petitioner her medical expenses, incurred in 1956 in connection with a disability contracted during her confinement in a Nazi concentration camp.

When the Invalids (Nazi Persecution) Law was enacted in 1957, the competent authority recognized the petitioner, Mrs. Juliana Friedlander, as an invalid within the meaning of this law and thus entitled to a pension. They, however, refused to refund her the IL797 she had spent on medical care in the year 1956, arguing that the State is not obliged to bear the cost of any medical care received before the law came into effect, on April 15, 1957.

Mrs. Friedlander petitioned the High Court of Justice for an order nisi which was granted her on September 27, 1960.

Section 21 of the Invalids (Nazi Persecution) Law provides that: "An invalid entitled to a pension shall, whenever necessary, receive at the expense of the State, on such conditions and in accordance with such rules as shall be prescribed by regulations, treatment for the invalidity."

Section 4 of this same law lays down that an invalid shall be paid a pension as from April 1, 1954.

Rule 12 of the Invalids (Nazi Persecution) (Medical Care) Rules, 1958, provides that an invalid who has incurred any expense in connection with medical care not received in any authorized institution shall be entitled to have them refunded upon the fulfilment of certain conditions.

Mr. Radosh appeared for the petitioner and Mr. F. Landau, Deputy State Attorney, for the respondents.

Decision

Justice Sussman, who delivered the decision of the High Court, Justice Berinson and Cohn concurring, said that a comparison of sections 21 and 4 of the Invalid (Nazi Persecution) Law demands the conclusion that the legislator did not intend vesting an invalid with the right to receive restitution of any expenses incurred in connection with medical attention before the law came into force. He agreed with the petitioner's Counsel, he said, that Rule 12 of the medical care Rules is retroactive, particularly since it took the inordinately long time of 18 months before the Rules were made. But the retroactive validity of the Rules, he continued, stops at the date on which the Law was enacted and does not go further back. Even Section 21, he continued, reveals that the legislator did not intend making the State responsible for medical expenses incurred before the law came into force, for it provides that the invalid shall receive medical care "whenever necessary." This use of the future tense, he held, indicates that only future expenses are intended and not such as were incurred in the past.

The petitioner's Counsel had argued, continued Justice Sussman, that in accordance with the German law concerning reparations to victims of the Nazi persecution, the petitioner should have received restitutions of all her medical expenses; but that under the Reparations Agreement with Germany Israel had waived the rights of her citizens to receive compensation for loss of health from Germany, enacting the Invalid (Nazi Persecution) Law in order to recompense them to some extent for this waiver. If, therefore, he had argued further, the Israel Government has not given its citizens the full equivalent of the benefits which they would otherwise have received directly from Germany, it puts them at a disadvantage as against other victims of Nazi persecution who are not Israel citizens. On the presumption that this argument is true, held Justice Sussman, the Knesset would do well to give its attention to the fact that an Israel enactment has deprived Israel citizens who survived the Nazi holocaust of such compensations as they would have received from the German Government if they had not been Israel citizens.

In the meantime, however, as Section 21 does not entitle the petitioner to a refund of any medical expenses incurred in 1956 — before the law came into force — the order nisi should be discharged.

Decision given on November 27, 1960.

Correction: In the Law Report of December 27, the second last paragraph of Justice Silberg's judgment should read: "... pointing out that although our regime is based on the rule of law and not on the rule of "halacha," nevertheless it is difficult completely to separate the law from "halacha" etc.

IT'S THE LAW

REGULATIONS for the protection of wild animals prohibit hunting in the north-west of the Hula area designated as an animal reserve.

Cables in Brief

CHAMPIONS. — Australia completed a 4-1 victory over Italy in the Davis Cup challenge round in Sydney yesterday to retain its position as the world's leading lawn tennis nation.

TRADE. — Talks on Soviet-Sudanese goods exchange in 1961 began in the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Trade in Moscow yesterday. The Sudanese delegation is led by Yakoub Osman, Sudanese envoy in Moscow.

Ch. Malik Gets Post At Washington School

WASHINGTON (AP). — Charles Malik of Lebanon, a former President of the U.N. General Assembly, has been appointed a professor at the American University's School of International Service.

The American University here, announcing the appointment, said Malik will lecture on philosophical issues in world politics.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

• Paris Ice Ballet:—
Edison Theatre, 4.30, 8.30 p.m.
• Tours:—
Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting 9 a.m. Book for the tour by phoning 24061, Hadassah Medical Organization Health Centre.
Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English at 11 a.m. daily. Downstairs Lobby, Wise Auditorium, University Campus.
Yad Vashem: Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Authority, Har Hazikaron. Conducted tour (English) of the buildings and exhibition, 10-12.
• Exhibitions:—
Zionist Congress participants, don't fail to see the very room in which Herzl lived in Jerusalem during November, 1898. Stern House, 39 Rehov Agron, open 9.30-1, 4-7, other hours arranged by phone, 24719, Jerusalem.
Paintings by Audrey Bergner; Jubilee exhibition by Shmuel Levi (founder of the Israel Artists Association), Jerusalem Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.
Archaeological Museum, Department of Antiquities, 36 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. New exhibitions: colour plates, "Israel — Ancient mosaics" (UNESCO publication). Tel Mor excavations. Memorial Exhibition, Bezalel Ravani, Surveys and Excavations. Permanent Antiquities Exhibition, 9-1, 3-5.
Ilana Gallery of Modern Art — Raffi Lavie, Moreno and Schwartz. General Exhibition of the Gallery's artists, 19 Shlomzion Hamalka. Tel. 23523. 10-1, 4-7.
"Israel Today" permanent exhibition, Binyanei Ha'uma, 10-1, 4-6.
Bezalel National Museum: — Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art, Archaeological objects, French contemporary paintings (loan from French Government) Hanukka Lamps (from the late Dr. A. Tiche's collection), 9-1, 2.30-5.
Bezalel Art Library: 9-1, 2.30-6.
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Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: 9-5.30.

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• Zoological Gardens:—
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• Exhibitions:—
Paintings and sculpture on the theme "Work" on the occasion of the 40th Histadrut Anniversary. Painters and Sculptors Association Pavilion, 9 Rehov Ahuzat Bayit, 10-1, 4-7.
Tel Aviv Historical Museum, Beit Shenkar, 26 Rehov Bialik, 9-1 (excepting Mondays, Saturdays and festivals).
Ancient glass and oil lamps, Museum Haaretz, 10-5.
"Disengoff House": Permanent Museum Collection: N. Bezem, paintings: 10-1, 4-7.
"Rubinstein Pavilion," Tarrat Blvd., a) Dov Feigin, Sculpture b) Israel Artists from the Museum's collection, 10-1, 4-8.
• Young Talent Concert:—
Shulamith Rand, piano—Z.O.A. House, 8.30 p.m.

HAIFA

• Tourist Centre:—
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 23 Hehalutz, Tel. 4576, 67985.
• Exhibitions:—
Avraham Yaskil, Individual Exhibition, Artists House, 24 Shderot U.N., 10-1, 4-7.

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• Theatre:—
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HABIRAH: Operation Amsterdam (3.30, 6.45, 9)
JERUSALEM: High School Confidential
OR GIL: Al Capone
ORION: Surprise Package
ORNA: Wild River
RON: Tamango
SEMADAR: The Long Hot Summer
STUDIO: Toi le Veuix
TEL OR: A Question of Adultery
ZION HALL: The Ten Commandments (3.30, 8.)

TEL AVIV
3.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: The Unforgiven
ARMON DAVID: The Bramble Bush
BEN YEHUDA: Sarioocha
CHEN: The Thirty Nine Steps
EDEN: Days and Nights
ESTHER: Ben-Hur (3.30, 8)
GAT: L'Amerique Insolite (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
HOD: I Like Mike
MAXIM: The Battle of the Sexes
MIGDALOR: The Day They Robbed the Bank of England
MOGRABI: Strangers When We Meet (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
OPHIR: The Savage Innocents (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
ORION: A Summer Place
PARIS: The Inn of the Sixth Happiness
PEER: Never on Sunday
SHDEROTH: Jacobowsky and the Colonel
TAMAR: Comment Qu'elle Est (10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.15)
TCHELET: Boris Godunov (7.15, 9.30)
TEL AVIV: One Foot in Hell (2.15, 7.15, 9.30)
YARON: The Apartment (3.30, 7.15, 9.30)
ZAFON: South Pacific (6, 9.)
ZAMIR: Tiger Bay
RAMAT GAN: The Story of Ruth (4, 7.15, 9.30)

HAIFA

AMPHITHEATRE: The Apartment (4, 6.45, 9.10)
ARMON: Letter from an Unknown Woman
ATZMON: The F.B.I. Story
EN DOR: South of Algiers (6.45, 9)
GAL OR: Case Against Brooklyn
MAY: The Ten Commandments (3.30, 7.30)
MIRON: Le Confident de ces Dames
MORIAH: Der Traumende Mund
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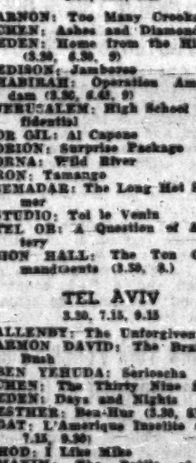
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Today's Postbag

The Weather

Forecast: Partly cloudy to cloudy with showers, clearing in afternoon.

Weather Synopsis: A deep upper trough extending from England to the Eastern Mediterranean is causing intrusion of cold and unstable air into our region.

	A	B	C
Mt. Gem'an	60	16	8—13
Tiberias	49	20—22	12—24
Haifa Port	57	24	14—18
Natanya	69	18—27	17—19
Tel Aviv Kirya	67	18—27	13—19
Tel Aviv Port	67	20—26	15—19
Lydda Airport	91	19—27	14—20
Jerusalem	66	17—23	7—15
Beersheba	75	18—27	9—20
Eilat	48	15—33	14—23

A) Humidity at 5 p.m. B) Yesterday's Temperature range. C) Today's Temperature forecast.

DEPARTURES

The Ghanaian Ambassador, Mr. Bediako Poku, to Rome, for a two-week stay (by Olympic Airways).

The Argentine Ambassador, Mr. Rogelio Rafael Tristany, to spend New Year in Rome (by Air France).

A IL2,500 gift from the American Friends of Shatlem, the Association for the Cerebral Palsied, has been handed over to the organization for the establishment of the first kindergarten for afflicted children in Israel. The money was brought to Israel by Mr. Lusche Herzog, who with Mr. Adolf Held, both of New York, were instrumental in organizing the Friends.

Aluf Harkaby Back From U.S. Studies

TEL AVIV, Aluf Yehoshafat Harkaby, former Chief of Army Intelligence, returned from a study tour in the U.S. late Tuesday night.

Aluf Harkaby left the Army after the reserves call-up mishap of April 1, 1956.

At the airport to receive Aluf Harkaby were Aluf Mishne Haim Herzog and other senior Army officers.

Senior Officer Won't Talk About 'Affair'

Jerusalem Post Staff

HAIFA. — Mr. Ya'acov Salomon, counsel of the Senior Army Officer involved in the "mishap" of 1954 said yesterday that he and his client would not talk to the press.

Two reasons had made such an attitude desirable, he said: the officer was still on the active service list; and some of his utterances to newsmen had been distorted in publication.

The Attorney-General told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that since the police investigation is not yet concluded, no decision has been taken whether there is sufficient evidence to bring criminal charges against the senior officer.

Bialik Literature Prize Award Today

TEL AVIV. — The Bialik Prize for Hebrew Literature will be awarded by the Municipality today to Shlomo Zemach for a recent work on literary criticism "Sit. Va'erev," published by Am Oved, and to Yosef Brasiavi, on the publication of "Beyn Tabor Vehermon," the sixth volume in his series on the land of Israel, "Havadata et Ha'aretz."

The prize is now worth IL2,000.

'West Side Story' Coming February

TEL AVIV. — The original Broadway cast of Jerome Robbin's "West Side Story" will give its premiere performance here at the Habimah Hall on February 14, Mr. Giora Godik, the impresario, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The 55-member cast will come here from New York to remain about three weeks. It will perform at Habimah only, putting on the same show, including all the sets, as shown on Broadway.

The "West Side Story" is by Stephen Sondheim with score by Leonard Bernstein.

From Israel, the show will continue to Italy as part of a European tour.

Belgian Queen Thanks Mrs. Weizmann

The Queen of the Belgians has cabled to Mrs. Chaim Weizmann in Rehovot her thanks for the message of congratulations sent her on the occasion of the marriage of the King of the Belgians. The message read as follows:

"Am greatly appreciative of your warm solicitation and wishes to young newlyweds for which my heartfelt thanks. My thoughts are often with you at Rehovot. Most affectionately,

ELISABETH"

High School Savings Scheme Begins Monday in 16 Localities

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—An agreement for a country-wide secondary education savings scheme has been reached between the Workers' Bank Ltd. and the Executive of the Union of Local Authorities.

This plan will go into effect as of January 2 — next Monday — in the Bank's 100 branches, it was announced to the press here yesterday.

Details of the scheme to ensure post-elementary education for children through regular monthly savings graded according to the child's age, were given by Messrs. A. Zabarsky and R. Shenker of the Bank Directorate, and Messrs. P. Elion and B. Michaeli, of the Union. The first 80,000 circulars will be sent out to parents this week.

For a new-born baby parents will be asked to pay IL5.50 every month for 216 months — a maximum of IL1,188. The older the child is when he joins the scheme, the larger the monthly payments. Thus parents will have to pay IL21.50 over 72 months — a total of IL1,548 — for a 12-to 13-year-old.

Insurance Against Rises

These payments will cover the entire cost of secondary school tuition, regardless of fluctuations in fees. By the time the youngster is accepted into a secondary school, the principal, the accumulated interest, and what the local authorities have undertaken to contribute, will cover the entire cost of tuition, which is about IL2,000.

The National Savings Commissioner, Mr. M. Shattner, announced that the Treasury and the Workers Bank have agreed to grant IL100 to each child in the savings scheme on his attaining secondary school.

Moreover, the Bank has reached an agreement with the Hassneh Insurance Company whereby, for an extra monthly charge of from IL1.80 to IL2.80, the continuity of the child's education can be insured against his parents' death.

The entire sum saved may be withdrawn at any stage on six months notice.

So far, the following local authorities have approved the national scheme: Petah Tikva, Holon, Beersheba, Bat-Yam, Tiberias, Safad, Hadera, Ashkelon, Kfar Saba, Ness Ziona, Nahariya, Pardes Hanna, Zikhron Ya'acov, Ramatayim, Kiryat Ono, and Kfar Ata. Negotiations are under way with Jerusalem, it was announced.

Mr. Shattner reported that in Haifa, which has been running such a scheme for the past five years, 10,000 parents have put aside IL2m. The Treasury recently approved a savings scheme for Tel Aviv, which has agreements with Bank Leumi, the Discount Bank and Ellerns Bank.

Mr. Shenker disclosed that 50 per cent of the savings will be lent to the local authorities for development schemes, 30 per cent will be invested in securities and 20 per cent will be used by the Bank.

Weekly Mifal Hapayis Drawings Beginning

TEL AVIV. — Mifal Hapayis will hold drawings once weekly as of January 1, instead of once a fortnight, Dr. M. Landau, Director of the lottery, told a press conference at Beit Sokolow yesterday.

Dr. A. Landau expected a 50 per cent increase in income as a result of the once weekly drawing, which will continue to be held on Thursdays.

In the fortnightly drawings, an average of 360,000 tickets of each 400,000 ticket issue are sold, Dr. Landau said. With the introduction of the weekly lottery, 58 per cent, instead of 52 per cent of the turnover, will be returned as prizes. Of every 100 tickets, 38 will bear winning numbers.

Mifal Hapayis this year distributed IL8m. in 20-year loans for the building of schools and IL2m. for hospitals, Dr. Landau stated.

T.A. to End Second Shift in 3 Years

TEL AVIV. — The second shift in the city's elementary schools will be done away with entirely in three years, Dr. Shaul Levin, Director of the Municipal Education Department, said here Tuesday evening. He was addressing a meeting of the Council of the Central Parents Committee.

The low birth rate in 1953 and 1954 and the present slow rate of immigration would permit a gradual reduction of second shift classes, Dr. Levin explained.

The wave of pupils which flooded the elementary schools and forced the establishment of a second shift had now passed into the post-elementary school system, he said. There were 170 second shift classes this year as compared to 275 last year. Next semester the number would be reduced to about 70 and the year after that to only 25.

The Municipal education head noted that 82 per cent of the city's elementary school graduates of the past two years were continuing their studies — 55 per cent in secondary schools, 27 per cent, particularly boys, in vocational schools, and the remainder in agricultural schools and evening high schools.

High School Teachers To See Eban, Eshkol Friday

TEL AVIV. — Representatives of the Independent Seconday School Teacher's Association will meet with Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and the Minister of Education, Mr. Abba Eban, on Friday.

A decision to this effect was passed by the Association's Executive here last night. It instructed its delegation to demand that the Government recognize secondary school education "as a special stage in the school system" and for special increments for secondary school teachers.

Both of these demands are known to be opposed by the Histadrut Teachers' Union, which has threatened to strike should the Government "recognize" the independent group.

Bill to Raise Company Fees Passed to C'ttee

The Knesset on Tuesday passed to the Law Committee, over Herut opposition, a Bill amending the Companies Ordinance to raise the registration and examination fee from IL30 to IL50 a year, and authorized the Minister of Justice to charge these fees in future.

Mr. Eliahu Meridor (Herut) said there was no justification for an increase, in view of the slight service rendered — filing the annual report in the proper folder once a year.

Mr. Ezra Ichilov (General Zionists) said the Knesset should stop delegating to the Government its own prerogative to levy "taxes."

JORDAN BANS FILMS FROM EAST AND WEST

AMMAN (Reuter). — The Ministry of Interior yesterday instructed Jordanian cinema owners not to import films made in Communist countries, it was officially announced.

The authorities also decided to blacklist and ban dealings with five Swiss companies and three Dutch, German and U.S. ships for violating the Arab boycott of Israel.

The Knesset on Tuesday Tuesday by the local Mapai

17 Jewish Campers Missing in S. Africa

CAPE TOWN (Reuter).—An intense air and ground search was under way yesterday for 17 young Jewish campers from Johannesburg who failed to keep a scheduled rendezvous on Tuesday night in the precipitous Cape Mountains north of here.

The boys set out Tuesday morning from a Bnei Zion holiday camp for a day's climbing under an adult leader, but failed to meet their food-supply group that night.

Later an aircraft from Cape Town failed to detect any signals in the area. But camp officials said they were not unduly worried as the boys were old enough to take care of themselves.

Mapai Accepts Mapam On Beersheba Coalition

BEERSHEBA. — A decision to include Mapam in the Municipal coalition was taken Tuesday by the local Mapai branch. The meeting was held under the shadow of the threat of Mayor David Tourjahu to resign if Mapam was not included.

It was laid down in the new coalition agreement that all issues dividing the two parties which could not be thrashed out on the local level will be referred to an arbitration committee consisting of representatives of the Central Committees of both parties. *(Itim)*

Servatius Denies Israel Confirmed Fee Payment

BONN (UPI). — Dr. Robert Servatius, who is acting as Eichmann's defence attorney, said yesterday he has not received official confirmation that the Israel Government will pay his fee.

But Israel payment of his fee, Dr. Servatius said, will cancel his earlier request that the West German Government pay him.

The Bonn Government has not replied formally to the request, but spokesmen indicated it would be refused.

A Government spokesman yesterday denied press reports that the Cabinet has decided to send official observers to Eichmann's trial, and added that it was unlikely the Government would do so.

Information Sought On SS Man Baumgartner

HAIFA. — The prosecutor of Muenchen (W. Germany) has appealed to the Documentation Centre here for evidence against S.S. Obersturmfuehrer Ludwig Baumgartner, who was active in the Sachsenhausen, Flossenburg and Auschwitz concentration camps from 1933 to 1946. Baumgartner "specialized" in killing inmates by shooting them in the nape of their necks.

It is believed that Baumgartner is now living either in East Germany or Egypt. The prosecutor enclosed photos of the Nazi in his SS uniform.

Witnesses may give evidence at the Centre in Haifa.

Ban on Kerosene In Cars Becomes Law

The Knesset on Tuesday passed the second and third readings of the Vehicle Operation Law (Engines and Fuel). The General Zionists voted against, and Herut abstained.

The Bill replaces by a permanent law the emergency regulations which have been in force since December 1957 authorizing the prohibition of the use of "certain types of fuel" (i.e., kerosene) in motor vehicles and setting forth of the type to be used (i.e., petrol).

The main reason for the Bill is to ensure that the Treasury does not lose the excise levied on petrol but not kerosene.

Yesterday's Rain Said to Be Too Little, Too Late to Save Crops

Jerusalem Post Staff

The steady drizzle that set in through the northern and central parts of the country yesterday afternoon, was every where welcomed with relief, but it came too late to help some parts of the central Emek, where farmers are already ploughing under their early wheat and barley.

Lower Galilee fields are also reported to be badly hit, while the Beisan Valley and the entire Negev south of the Faluja line — close to half a million dunams in all — may still have to be written off as a complete loss.

Some farmers, particularly in the northern regions, may however risk a second sowing during the next few days if the soil gets an adequate drenching.

The past month's unusually high temperatures added to the destruction, by stimulating a premature show of barley and wheat spikes.

The weatherman predicts continued cloudiness and more rain for tomorrow.

Pedestrians virtually disappeared from Jaffa Road and other main streets of Jerusalem as the downpour, which began about noon, soaked the city in a steady bath of welcome rain. Although the rain tapered off by 5.00 p.m., strong gusts persisted into the night.

In Jerusalem, electricity to the German Colony and the Ben-Yehuda-Jaffa Road section was cut off at 5.30. The blackout, which lasted about 30 minutes, was caused by a breakdown which Electric Company officials were not prepared to attribute directly to the storm.

A southerly storm sweeping up the Gulf of Eilat sparked preventive action in Eilat Port yesterday, with workmen covering cargo stored outside against the rain and sea-spray. Towards dusk the wind veered to westerly, reaching gale force and carrying large clouds of desert sand, making the landing of the 5.15 p.m. Arkia plane extremely difficult.

The rain reached Beersheba by 4 p.m., after a heavy shamsin and dust storm during the morning, and continued throughout the evening. Farmers were pessimistic, however, since they claim that 60 mm. of rainfall within the next day or two would be needed to save their crops.

Beduin farmers are less afflicted than their Jewish counterparts, however, because a much smaller proportion of them started sowing after the first rain. Most of the Beduin are still waiting for a heavy rain before they start planting.

Winds of 100 km.p.h. swept Safad and vicinity, while eight mm. of rain were recorded by 8 p.m. Haifa port reported 12 mm.

For once nobody grumbled in Tel Aviv when they had to wade through the flooded gutters. The "Salame River" was its cheerful gurgling self and the city donned a clean and glistening look while the youngsters ignored protesting mothers in soaking their rarely used rain capes and wellington boots.

U.S. Consul Weds Moslem Haifaite

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The U.S. Vice-Consul in Haifa, Miss Mary H. Pierce, has left the Foreign Service to settle in Haifa as the wife of Mr. Suhayl H. Shukri, Honorary Secretary of the Moslem Advisory Council.

Haifa was Miss Pierce's first foreign assignment. She served as Vice-Consul for two years, until her resignation in September.

The Moslem wedding ceremony took place at the couple's new Mt. Carmel home last week. Miss Pierce, an Episcopalian, did not embrace Islam.

The couple told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that they had been married in a civil ceremony in the U.S. in October, following the conclusion of Miss Pierce's tour of duty in Haifa.

Born in Washington, the bride is the daughter of a retired U.S. Army colonel.

Mr. Shukri, 47, the son of a former Mayor of the City, the late Hassan Shukri, is in the insurance business and also serves as Honorary Treasurer of the Wake Trustees. At the time of the Sinai campaign, he went on a speaking tour of the U.S. on behalf of the Israel Government, the first Arab to do so. He was divorced from his first wife in Haifa last July.

Congo Civil Servants Begin Studies Today

TEL AVIV. — Twenty senior civil servants from the Republic of the Congo start a 4-month course in public administration at the Galei Hasharon Hotel in Natanya today.

The participants, who arrived by a special U.N. plane yesterday, were received at Lydda Airport by Mr. Aharon Remez, of the Foreign Ministry.

The course was organized by the Productivity Institute and the Ministry for Foreign Affairs at the request of the U.N. Secretariat.

JORDAN TO MOVE AGAINST LOCUSTS

The Jordan Ministry of Agriculture will this week take action against swarms of locusts which have settled in the desert areas along the Saudi Arabian border, "Al-Difa" reported yesterday. The pests are in the flying stage, it was stated.

Public Nuisance Bill Has First Reading

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

A private member's bill aimed at preventing excessive noise, annoying smells, and smoke, passed its first reading in the Knesset yesterday. There was no debate, and the bill was referred to the Internal Affairs Committee without opposition.

Unlike the present law, the bill put forward by Dr. Shimon Kanowitz (Progressives) enables a private citizen to initiate a complaint against violators of the law without consent of the police.

Motorcyclist Fined IL1,000 in Road Death

TEL AVIV. — A 25-year-old motorcyclist, Haim Nafosi, who caused the death of a pedestrian, not through criminal negligence, was yesterday fined IL1,000, with the alternative three months in jail, by the District Court.

The accident occurred on Rehov Florentine on October 12, 1957 when Nafosi ran over and killed an 80-year-old man, Noah Yosef Levin. *(Itim)*

Woman Crushed By Bus in Tiberias

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — A bus, moving in reverse, fatally injured a 65-year-old woman, Rahel Feysa, of Tiberias, at the downtown bus terminal, yesterday. The woman died on the way to Poriyah Hospital.

The driver, Osman Muhammad Sa'ada, 22, was detained for questioning.

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Zionist Congress Elects Presidium

(Continued from Page One)

the Zionist General Council Presidium. Dr. Goldmann and Mr. Moshe Sharett were elected Presidents of Congress.

In a report on the elections, Advocate Haim Krongold, Deputy President of the Congress Court, was pleased to note that the Court had not received any complaints of falsification, but only of cases of error. He was also happy to record that from the moment members took their places on the bench, they dismissed all thoughts of party affiliations.

Mr. Krongold then went on to deal with elections in individual countries, and the 15 appeals lodged with the Court. In no country were elections invalidated, he reported. He noted that no representative had arrived from the (Belgian) Congo, where, he said, the situation is unclear.

Elections were held in 24 countries, while in the others advance agreements were reached among the parties.

Distribution of mandates according to countries was: Israel — 33 per cent of all delegates; U.S. — 29 p.c. and other countries — 33 p.c.

Mr. Krongold said that the establishment of a single Court, of 21 judges with wider powers, instead of the two Courts hitherto, would be proposed to Congress.

The Court which was reported on, consisted of Judge L. Loewenthal (Philadelphia), and Advocates D. Rav-Hai, S. Ziegel, B. Cohen, Y. Klebanov, and H. Rubin. Also participating in the work of the Court were Judge B. Shwarshevsky, and Advocates S. Usishkin, E. Meridor, S. Sokol (New York), B. Uriel, and Y. Shvo.

Elected to the Presidium were — Honorary Members: Rabbi Y. L. Maimon, Mr. Yitzhak Gruenbaum, Dr. Haim Beger, and Mr. Yosef Barazi; Officiating Members: Mrs. Golda Meir, Mr. Berl Locker, Mr. Anshel Reis, Dr. Yitzhak Goldenberg, Dr. A. Chourqui, and Mrs. Clara Lev (Mapai Thud Olami); Mrs. Lola Kramersky, Dr. Miriam Freund, Mr. Barnett Janner, and Mr. Idel Horowitz (Confederation of General Zionist, Halprin-Goldstein wing); Mr. Pereta Bernstein, Mr. Max Bressler, and Mr. Roberto Aron (Confederation, Neumann wing); Rabbi M. P. Tchorsh, Mr. A.L. Gelman, and Rabbi Zemah Zambrowsky (Hamizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrahi); Dr. Yosef Sheftelman, Mr. Yosef Klarman, and Dr. Shlomtzion Funkenstein (Herut); Dr. Raphael Mahler and Mr. Ya'acov Amit (Mapam); Mr. Ya'acov Berubavel, and Mrs. Zivia Lubotkin (Ahdut Ha'avoda); Dr. Benno Cohen (Progressive Party); Mrs. Rebecca Biaff (WIZO).

At the opening of the morning session, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, who presided, noted that the Ussishkin Auditorium, where Congress is meeting, had been completed through the special contributions of South American and South African Jewry. He then eulogized the late architect of Binyanei Haooma, Ze'ev Rechter, who died in Tel Aviv some days ago. He also eulogized the late President of the Congress Court, Shneur Zalman Cheshin.

In deep sorrow we announce the death in Canada, on December 27, 1960, of

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A dinner in honour of Mr. George Brown P.C.M.P., Deputy Leader of the British Parliamentary Labour Party, will be held at the Z.O.A. House, Tel Aviv, on Monday, January 2, 1961, at 7.30 p.m.

For reservations phone 63811 or 62561, Tel Aviv, no later than Friday, December 30.

INDUSTRY FINANCE and COMMERCE

Travel Tax May Rise to 100%

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of Finance intends to raise the travel tax on journeys abroad from 55 per cent to 100 per cent of the ticket price, The Jerusalem Post learned yesterday from travel service sources.

The tax, to take effect shortly, will affect tickets purchased in Israel currently. The last rise in travel tax was earlier this year, from 40 per cent to 55 per cent, already the highest such tax of any country. (Chile has the next highest travel tax of 17 per cent. Most countries have no travel tax.)

Travel agents, who fear they will be hard hit by the new measure, plan a coordinated protest, according to Mrs. M. Fromm, Chairman of the Travel Agents' Association.

Travel circles point out that about 25 per cent of those flying long stretches out of Lydda bought tickets here for Nicosia, Athens, or Rome, where they purchased tickets for the remainder of their journeys, often with black market foreign currency. Frequent travellers have also taken to the purchase abroad of air travel credit cards against a 3400 deposit.

Organized tours abroad are expected to be hardest hit when the new tax increases go into effect.

Lien Asked on J'lem Shoe's Machinery

An attachment order to the value of IL12,000 has been issued by the Jerusalem District Court on equipment at the Jerusalem Shoe Corporation. The request was made by Kupat Holim, which claims back dues to that sum owed by the company for the health insurance scheme of its workers during the period preceding the lock-out.

The factory, which employs 200, has been closed since early November.

N.Y. Stock Market Up in Active Trading

NEW YORK (AP). — The Stock Market Wednesday again plowed its way through a jumble of year-end tax transactions and finished the day with a gain on balance.

Gains and losses of most key stocks ranged from fractions to about a dollar in active trading.

American Telephone reached a new historic high of 105⅛ before closing at 104¾, for a net gain of 1¾.

Tax-loss selling mingled with reinvestment to create cross-currents. Union Carbide rose 2¼ and Dupont dropped 2¾. The list was irregular at the start and nudged upward by mid-day. Tobaccos, airlines, rails and utilities were up. Most other groups were mixed.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks rose .80 to 220.30 with the industrials up .70, rails up .80 and utilities up .70 to a new high for the year.

Volume was 3.62 million shares, compared with 3.27 million Tuesday.

Eggs to Be Graded By International Measure

TEL AVIV. — The Egg Marketing Board will adopt international grading symbols for their produce, replacing the fancy names used by the council to date.

Under international specifications, eggs are graded numerically by weight. Grade 1 — formerly known as the "Jumbo" extra — is of a minimum 68 grams. "Extra special" will now be number 2 of a minimum weight of 61 grams.

Save-for-Housing Scheme Now Gets Along with No State Funds

The Save-for-Housing scheme is now financed entirely by foreign investors together with the purchasers themselves, without assistance from Government funds.

State expenditure will henceforth be confined to "social" housing — for immigrants, ma'abarot and slum clearance, housing in development areas and agricultural settlements.

This was stated by Mr. David Tanne, Director of the Housing Division in the Ministry of Labour, at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday.

Foreign loans cover IL12m. in this year's housing budget and IL15m. in the budget for 1961-2. The Government has undertaken to repay them credits in foreign currency against the local currency paid by house purchasers. Interest paid by the local purchasers on their mortgages is 7% per cent, slightly higher than the 6.8 per cent paid by the Government, to cover local bank charges, together with a lump-sum payment amounting to five per cent of the mortgage loan.

Other projects under negotiation include:

- The formation of an organization for selling rental property to American investors. Rents come to 12 per cent of the purchase price, or IL80 a month on a IL8,000 dwelling. The Government will subsidize these dwellings in development areas, including Jerusalem, contributing IL50 a month to homes for young couples.
- Twenty-two shopping centres will be constructed with foreign capital, mainly in development areas. A special company will run them on behalf of their owners abroad.
- An American group is interested in constructing three model housing estates, similar to the Ramat Aviv quarter, of 1,000-2,000 units each of different categories, including immigrant housing. One of the projects will be set up in Tel Aviv, one in the North and one in the South.
- A Mexican group is undertaking a large housing estate in the Negev.

Mr. Tanne added that the number of families in ma'abarot has declined from 25,000 in October 1957 to 7,000. When dwellings at present under construction are completed, only 5,000 families will remain.

In answer to a question on the Housing Division's debts to the building contractors, Mr. Tanne stated forcefully that the source of the problem is the contractors' own lack of revolving capital. They have to press for immediate payment on the completion of each stage of the building process, while if they put up as little as ten per cent of the capital required, the problem would be alleviated.

Tel Aviv Stock Markets

	27/12	28.12
$ LINKED		
3½% Treas $	94½	94½
3½% Zionist $	92½	92½
4½% Def. Loan	100½	100½
6% Hous. Loan M	99	99
4½% " " N	98½	98½
5½% P.E.C. 57/64	102½	102½
5% Nat'l Oil Co.	95½	95½
6% R. Hay. III	97½	97½
7% Fert. & Chem.	99	99
Local Authorities	100½	101
C.O.L. LINKED		
4½% Def. Loan	103½	103½
4½% Hous. Loan "A"	101	100½
4½% P.E.C. 57/64	113½	113½
6% R. Hay. III	103½	103
Local Authorities	106	107½
50%/50% $ C.o.L. LINKED		
6% Ind. Dev. Bank	98	98
5% Pal. Elect.	98½	98½
6% Bank Leumi Invest.	98½	98½
ORD & PREF. SHRS.		
Pal. Elect. Stock	326	328
4½% Pal. Elect. 2nd Pref. Stock	428	427
Bank Leumi "A" Ord. Stock	3600	3724
Gen. Mort. Bank (new bearer)	353	353
Bank Leumi Inv	3647	3675
Rassco Pref.	217½	217
Hous. Mort. Bank	1700	1700
Ellern Invest.	400	415
Africa Pal. Inv.	3743	3744
New Af. Pal. —	361	364
I. L. D. C. (new bearer)	3465	3495
Ata Textiles	305	305
Def. Shares (Reg.)	211	211½
Mollier Text.	1500	300
Phoenicia	159	160
Assis & Raf. Bro.	132½	135
Pal. Potash	227	1284
Dead Sea Powm.	118	125
Teva	220	222
Pal. Cold Stor.	360	365
Paper Mills	344	3464
Alliance	308	308½
Delek	30.65	31.35
Delek 11/13	Ex315	314
Jordan Explor.	319	319
Wahnbahan	118	117½
Fert. & Chem.	146	149
C U R B	130½	127
Lapidoth	4.90	4.90
Naphta	153	160

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SECONDARY EDUCATION IN AFRICA

By GEORGES FRADIER

A UNESCO enquiry in 22 countries of tropical Africa showed that in 14 of these countries the proportion of secondary to primary school pupils was less than 5 per cent. Moreover, there are only four countries where the proportion is higher than 7 per cent; this unhappily does not mean that more than seven out of one hundred pupils complete a secondary course and can pass the examinations corresponding to the British General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) or the French baccalaureat. To give one example, there are approximately 5,000 Africans in Kenya secondary school against 180,000 in the primary schools. In 1959, only 605 boys and girls obtained the Cambridge School Certificate which must be followed by another two years' school before it is possible to enter a university or technical college.

The schools at present in existence would probably suffice to train good candidates for higher education, but it would be a great mistake to regard secondary education as a mere stage providing students to fill the universities, medical schools and polytechnic institutes.

Essential for Progress

On the contrary, secondary education should be regarded as a type and level of education with its own ends, sufficient in itself when it provides a unified training without necessarily leading on to higher education. It justifies itself as an element in raising the nation's cultural level, and also, as African educationalists emphasize, as a factor in economic, social and political development. Secondary education is essential for efficiency in commerce and the civil service. In the rural development programmes which are so vital to Africa today, secondary education is indispensable for persons holding certain responsible positions, such as secretary or treasurer of co-operative societies. The need for administrative and technical senior officials for skilled and semi-skilled workers, is growing everywhere; at its present rate of development, secondary education is not in a position to meet this need.

The gaps are still more serious as far as technical secondary education is concerned. Ghana, for example, has not so far a single secondary technical school, although it has more than 500,000 pupils at school in a population of 5 million, has many secondary schools, excellent vocational training courses organized by the "Cocoa Board," an admirable school-radio system, and 400 students at Accra University and almost as many at the Kumasi School of Technology.

It is easy to understand the reasons for the shortcomings. The first is that it was not thought until recently that industrial development would take place in the independent African nations. Secondly, whereas there were enough foreign teachers to teach languages, mathematics, Latin grammar and similar subjects until a few years ago, it has always been very difficult to get good instructors in engineering or electricity, good masters of industrial design and applied sciences.

Shortage of Teachers

The equipment, the machines and the material are arriving much faster than the teachers. Already, in general secondary education as in technical education, it is the lack of masters which is causing a disturbing situation everywhere. It is to be hoped that all the nations in a position to send teaching staff abroad will heed the appeal of the African countries. Teachers of science, mathematics, French, English — and, in such countries as Somalia, Arabic — are needed in hundreds.

In the long run, however generous it may be, this aid will not be enough. Independent Africa will not obtain the complete educational system it should have and wishes to have so long as it must rely exclusively or almost exclusively on outside assistance, which suffers at best to keep education at its present level. Bilateral or multilateral assistance should henceforth be devoted primarily to the *training* of African teachers for general and technical secondary education.

Africa possesses not one establishment for the training of technical and vocational teachers. As to teachers of literature and science, they can only be obtained from the universities, which are only just beginning to provide the graduates needed by industry, hospitals, the big agricultural plantations and the civil service. Six hundred of the thousand students at the Ibadan University in Nigeria are studying science, medicine and economics; of the 400 others, not all are studying education. This is only one example, but it is typical of most of the countries with which we are concerned. It is therefore vital to speed up teacher-training by all possible means if a very serious crisis in secondary education, and hence in education at all levels, is to be avoided.

The Ministers and Directors of Education of countries in tropical Africa who met last February in Addis Ababa were fully aware of this situation. They made an urgent appeal to Unesco, requesting assistance in the creation and operation of regional institutions for training the staff needed primarily for secondary schools.

Unesco is trying to meet this request. Its programme for 1961-62 provides, among other projects, for the establishment in tropical Africa of two regional centres which will train the staff needed for the teacher-training colleges and for educational research.

Further, the United Nations Special Fund will enable the Organization to assist in the development of secondary education. For example, it is proposed to set up a federal teacher-training college in Nigeria which will train secondary schoolteachers. The Fund would contribute $800,000 to this project and the Nigerian Government $1,800,000.

(UNESCO)

HEARD ABROAD

I have solemn hope that I shall go down in history as "His Grace the supreme hyphen." — The Archbishop of Canterbury.

Things ain't what they used to be when I was Minister of Transport — Lord Morrison of Lambeth.

SOMETHING MAY BREAK

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'Little Triangle' Makes Progress

Women No Longer Draw Water at the Wells

By YA'ACOV GLILI

SINCE the incorporation of the villages of the Little Triangle into Israel — under the Israel-Jordan Armistice Agreement — their history has been one of steady progress. They want to maintain this trend and achieve equality of living standards with their Jewish fellow-citizens. They are anxious, therefore, that there should be peace between Israel and her neighbours."

This was the keynote of the speeches made by spokesmen of the local authorities of Kalansawa, Taibeh, Tireh and Jaljulieh when greeting councillors and senior officials of the nearby Jewish township of Givatayim who recently visited the area. A few weeks before this, Givatayim had played host to a conference of members of Triangle local authorities. It was evident from the heartiness with which the group was received and entertained everywhere that it is not self-interest alone that prompts this desire for Israel-Arab reconciliation, but that a climate of genuine goodwill has evolved during the past decade.

Modern Amenities

The main features of the new era are brisk building activity and the provision of up-to-date amenities. The number of houses has almost doubled. They include buildings of several storeys and villas surrounded by auxiliary farms, as well as modern housing projects on the outskirts of the villages. Many approach roads and internal roads have been constructed. Domestic water supply is now universal; the picturesque sight of women carrying jars on their heads from wells and distant springs is a thing of the past. Electric lighting has been provided in streets and houses, and a fair number of inhabitants have acquired wireless sets. Large, well-equipped schools have been established, as well as a regional health centre, consisting of a hospital (including a maternity ward) and a clinic.

Great forward strides have also been made in agriculture, the source of livelihood of the majority of the population. New fruit crops — pears, guavas, pomegranates and (in Kalansawa) apples — have been introduced, and the plantation area has been enlarged. Additional citrus groves have been planted. Vegetables are grown on a large scale and marketed in Jewish settlements; in the latter respect Taibeh stands out as a centre of onion and garlic culture. The cultivation of bananas is financed jointly by Arab and Jewish capital.

Other manifestations of Arab-Jewish cooperation in the economic sphere are the newly-founded Arab-Jewish Bank and the joint industrial undertakings assisted by Government loans: a cold storage plant at Kalansawa, a canning factory and an oil-press at Taibeh. A modern industry is thus developing alongside the traditional primitive craft of mat-weaving.

In the educational field, compulsory elementary education has raised school attendance to 90 per cent. Hebrew is taught from Class IV, and a reasonable degree of fluency seems to have been attained. An interesting fact is the failure of the attempt to introduce co-education. Girls in co-educational institutions began to drop out in Class V and did not return to school until the separation of the sexes was re-established. Now they continue sometimes even up to secondary school.

The area itself has a secondary school at Taibeh with 144 pupils, but quite a few Triangle youngsters attend secondary school at Kfar Yarok or Pardess Hanna; some go on to the Hebrew University in Jerusalem or to a kibbutz seminar.

An outstanding example of the nascent local intelligentsia is 24-year-old Huda, daughter of Mr. Mahmud Nashif, M.K. After studying social sciences and education at the Hebrew University, she took an M.A. degree in welfare work in Chicago. She is now most active in the advancement of her fellow-villagers. She founded a community centre at Taibeh and organized courses in handicrafts there. Huda's sisters are schoolteachers in the Triangle; her brother Nazir, also a graduate of the Hebrew University, is District Officer in Galilee.

Role of Histadrut

A powerful lever in modernizing life in the Triangle is the Histadrut, to which about half of the inhabitants belong. It has a branch in each village and maintains clubrooms, health clinics, and a working mother's organization as well as evening classes and other cultural activities. A joint labour council for Taibeh, Kalansawa and Tireh is soon to be established.

A feature of the old order that is still firmly established is the clan system. This has led to the political-sociological paradox that the local councils, i.e. organs of 20th-century democratic self-government, are elected on a clan basis. The village population falls into so many clans that the strongest clan wins the largest number of seats on the council and one of its members becomes chairman. The party system is superimposed on this system, since every clan representative is at the same time affiliated to some political party.

Readers' Letters

LABOUR AND PROFITS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—In *The Jerusalem Post* of Dec. 22 under the title "Lavon Defends Histadrut's Role," there appeared instead an attack on the "Fragmentized Society in which *the material desires and unlimited interest of individuals play an ever-increasing role.*" Such a society exists in the United States and its first symptoms are already apparent in Israel.

I shall pass over the question of the value of such a greeting to the visiting delegates from the United States who have contributed substantially, both by gifts and investments, to the support not only to the State of Israel but of the Histadrut itself — and shall confine myself solely to the question of the validity of the premise and its assumptions.

The Histadrut, through AMPAL, has raised substantial sums in America for investment in Israel, without revealing any attempt to reform American society.

No one appreciates more highly than I do the immense role played by the Histadrut in the development of the State of Israel, as evidenced by the tribute I paid to it in the "American Bridge to the Israel Commonwealth," but to start with the belief that Israel has the only truth as a social and economic message is hardly the proper way to impress the world.

Let us be a little more modest. The American Labour Movement has achieved some impressive goals, even though based on material interests, such as the housing schemes of the International Ladies Garments Workers Union and the Amalgamated Bank of the Men's Clothing Workers. Even in capitalist endeavours, the employees often play a major role — e.g. the Pension Fund of Sears-Roebuck itself is the controlling factor in the ownership of the largest Mail Order House in the world. The large mutual insurance companies, like the Metropolitan and the Equitable, without shareholders, are virtually consumers' co-operatives on a large scale.

It is understandable that Socialism, born over a century ago, in an environment where profits were regarded as the surplus labour of the miserable mill-workers, should have produced a strong feeling of aversion to profits as a prime evil of our society. Yet I recall the famous phrase of our great Zionist orator, Shmaryahu Levin, who insisted that the Land of Israel would be built up not merely by the "Yetzer Hatov," based on donations, but rather on the "Yetzer Harah," or the search for profits.

Even Solel Boneh is not backward in its efforts to secure profits — and that it is all to the good, for otherwise it would go bankrupt, as it did in the early days, when it stretched itself beyond its means in its gigantic task to solve the problem of unemployment. But when Solel Boneh was able to build up a surplus, based upon material profits, it became a veritable bulwark of the Histadrut.

The real distinction must be made between legitimate profits and undeserved increases in wealth. When a Ford builds an automobile industry, it is of little consequence that he, like the shareholders in General Motors, has reaped some profit. Indeed, it is a measure of the success of the enterprise itself, and assures continued employment.

Unfortunately, socialists generally — and those in Israel are no exception — often neglect to deal with the unearned increment that comes from land ownership, and instead they concentrate on the manufacturers' profits, which can be earned only when a business is efficient, especially when there is a strong labour union, such as in America or Israel. But, since the days of David Ricardo, it has been clear that land values continue to rise, irrespective of what landlords may do (and in Israel now the tenants have become virtual landlords); despite the ideals of the Keren Kayemet and the principle of state land ownership, the evils of land speculation are still with us in Israel — and will endure with increasing population and wealth, unless proper taxation measures are taken from time to time.

I hope that this may eventually come to pass, but in the meanwhile let us concentrate all our efforts on improving our economy in Israel, without engaging in invidious distinctions between Israel and other countries which may only hinder the great goal that Mr. Ben-Gurion has set up to attract another million immigrants within the next decade.

Yours, etc.

B. A. ROSENBLATT

Herzliya, December 26.

MEAT CONTROL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Various elements have found it necessary to mix the problem of slaughterhouses for animals which do not have the ritually required eleven hoofs with the hygienic and veterinary aspects of the matter. We therefore feel it is in place to point out that meat produced by slaughtering any living animal under insanitary conditions, without veterinary control, may endanger the health of the public using it. Any meat produced from the slaughter of animals under good hygienic and sanitary conditions and under veterinary control does not constitute a danger to its consumers. Veterinary control over the meat must exist throughout all its phases: before slaughter, during slaughter, hauling, storing, maintenance and places of sales.

In those places where meat not under control is sold, its very marketing is proof of insufficient control.

Yours, etc.,

ISRAEL ASSOCIATION OF VETERINARY DOCTORS

Tel Aviv, December 8.

KEEPING POSTED

MANY musicians would like a chance to conduct the London Symphony Orchestra, which has just been here on a visit. Any Israel conductor would have been flattered to be asked to conduct one of their concerts — but alas, the orchestra brought its own conductor, Mr. Antal Dorati. But one Friday morning the orchestra was holding a general rehearsal. One of the violinists had become acquainted with a family living near the Sharon Hotel, where the orchestra stayed, and invited musical young David,

age nine, to hear the rehearsal. During a break, David went up on the stage to talk to his new friend, and began to fiddle with the conductor's baton. The musicians winked at each other and then burst into the first movement of Beethoven's Eroica. David was almost startled out of his wits by the first tremendous chord and started to bolt, but the leader of the orchestra placed him on the podium — and told him to conduct.

A few minutes later Dorati, off-stage, heard the familiar thunder and came to see what his orchestra was up to — and stood there gaping. Halfway through the movement he took over; and David stepped down, blushing furiously. As he did so, Dorati grinned and said "Fun, isn't it?" and then turning to the orchestra said: "Well, gentlemen, I don't think I need repeat the work of our young friend—we will carry straight on." And they did.

The musicians said that David had been quite as good as some conductors they had experienced. David, who is learning to play the recorder, now has greater musical ambitions. His chief trouble is that nobody will ever believe the story that he started right in conducting the London Symphony.

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AN old acquaintance, who has lived in Tel Aviv since 1931, and has been a member of the *Left Poalei Zion* all her life, managed to get an admission ticket for the Congress this year for the first time in decades. She loved every minute of it, she said. It was like old times, and yet so different. *What impressed her most? The President's arrival. "I know he's really only somebody just like us. But with everybody waiting for him to come in, and then there he is, and that trumpet in the background, it suddenly reminds you that we got the State after all. You won't believe it, but I wept, and we a Poalei Zion family — Left Poalei Zion — all these years! And then Dr. Goldmann's Hebrew. His saying the people in the hall who don't know Hebrew have earphones, but he wanted to speak to the people of Israel, who could hear him on the radio. If that's how he feels about it, it makes a big difference."*

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THERE is a story behind the further gift of IL748.50 that has been presented to the Toy Fund by the Bank Leumi. It seems that, one day, a senior official in Jerusalem who buys the office equipment found a handsome and valuable camera as a gift from an office equipment firm to the officers with whom it carries on its big deals. It seemed rather a far cry from the common run of calendars and memo pads, and he reported the gift to the manager in Jerusalem. The manager decided that the camera should be accepted and raffled off for the Toy Fund at IL1 a ticket. This has produced at least double the value of the camera for the Fund, as well as a happy winner. In its letter, the Bank said they hoped that the money had not come too late. But what do Bank Managers know of money dealings? We buy first, with perennial optimism, and trust the money will come in afterwards. Our own cashier spends the entire month worrying, but our friends have never yet let us down.

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WE always had a weakness for statistics, and found two this week that seem interesting. The first concerns the sales of The Jerusalem Post. *We have a graph that goes back to 1953, and the figures jerk up and down as though we had some sort of permanent malaria. Up, usually, every April and May. We assume it is the tourists that flock here for Passover. Up again around October and November — presumably the New Year tourists. Up and right off the page in April 1958 and again in November. That must have been the war rumours of that year and then the Sinai Campaign. While Israel's 13 and would do get their neighbours' papers or read it in a cafe. The following April the figures did not go up — no tourists that year. But what happens around August every year, particularly lately? It is not just a quiet period between two attacks of feverish tourism, but a short, sharp dip. The circulation department produced the answer. The dip is made by our subscribers, who hurry off in droves for their summer holiday abroad at this stage and wrap themselves from head to foot in the London "Times" instead. We should add, perhaps, that the graph is on a very large scale, about as large as our table.*

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THE other statistics concern the Cafe Vienna, which occupies a strategic position in the centre of Jerusalem. A little after 11 one evening recently, when the place

should have been full, we found a yawning emptiness. The espresso man was nodding in a corner, and the place looked as if they were going to start standing the chairs on the tables any moment. We asked anxiously whether they were going to close earlier in the future? No, but the "Ten Commandments" just opposite played until midnight, and if there was one really popular film in town the other cinemas did no business.

Today's contributors include Y. Shahori, Herzliya, and M., Tel Aviv.

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THE ZIONIST MOVEMENT

Lamerhav (Abdut Ha'avoda) regrets the absence of delegations from Eastern Europe and the Moslem countries at the Zionist Congress. "The silence that has been enforced on Eastern European Jews... fills us with disquiet. The Jews of these countries, who theoretically enjoy full and equal rights, are in fact discriminated against in comparison with the other Soviet peoples. Just as we must find ways to promote immigration from countries whose gates are open, so must we work unceasingly for a renewal of immigration from countries whose gates are barred."

She'arim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) reviews the differences of opinion that existed between Orthodox Jewry and the Zionist Movement because of the latter's "secular conception," but says that these difference are now less sharp. The paper hopes that the Congress will result in increased immigration and the strengthening of Israel.

Omer (Histadrut), after welcoming the delegates to the Congress, goes on to outline its role in immigrant absorption and in informing newcomers to Israel about happenings in the Jewish world. The paper hopes that the delegates will be encouraged to learn Hebrew by their visit to Israel.

Yesterday's Press

Hamodia (Agudat Yisrael) writes: "The concept of Zionism has lost its meaning and significance since the establishment of the State. The Congress meeting in Jerusalem is not Zionist, just as the Zionist Organization is not... The desire to maintain the Zionist Organization stems from material interests."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam), commenting on the threats made by Nasser in connection with atomic development in Israel, writes: "The rumours about Israel's supposed progress in the development of atomic weapons gave the UAR ruler an excuse to make a speech full of abuse and war threats. This time he did not hesitate to announce that he had decided to increase the pace of the arms race in the Middle East to an extremely dangerous level. The state of belligerency that the Arab rulers insist on maintaining is a constant source of distrust and suspicion. In the shadow of the atom, the conviction grows that every effort should be made to overcome differences. Will this understanding grow in our area as well?"

Davar (Histadrut) discusses wage policies and **Ha'aretz** (non-party) writes about taxes.

Herut protests against Davar's report on the secret session of the Knesset, while **Haboker** (General Zionist) comments on the "leaks" from Cabinet meetings that have appeared in Davar and **Lamerhav**.

Hatsofe (National Religious Party) discusses the possible consequences of another drought.

World Sephardi Federation — Israel Branch

P.O.Box 10. Jerusalem, 27th December, 1961

To the Honourable Presidents and Delegates of the 25th World Zionist Congress

The World Sephardi Federation has been handicapped in its activities because it sought to collaborate with the Jewish Agency. Negotiations to establish such collaboration commenced immediately after the meetings of the First Sephardi World Congress in 1951 without success.

Our goal is to improve the cultural, educational, economic and social conditions of the Sephardi and Oriental masses in the interests of Israel.

The two World Sephardi Congresses received the blessings of the Jewish Agency and the Israel Government, but whatever has been achieved to cooperate with them remains inadequate and lacking in understanding of the real perils facing our People in Israel and elsewhere if the solution of the problems of fusion and integration are not given priority.

In fact the Federation exists solely to help the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency in this field.

1. The events of 'Wadi Salib', though probably forgotten by leaders of all parties, must not be ignored, since it is a fire covered by a thin layer of ashes. This is a warning alarm to the responsible Authorities of the Zionist Movement gathered at this Congress in Jerusalem.

The staggering difficulties facing young Israel, to provide secondary, vocational and higher education, improve housing conditions, to create permanent employment, to convert them into constructive elements of Society, cannot be met by Israel alone. Like all other crucial problems facing our young country, which are met and borne by our brethren in the United States and everywhere else, these problems too are the responsibility of Jewry as a whole.

2. Problems of immigration into Israel, whilst fully being attended to by the Jewish Agency, are also of special concern to us, since the majority of the prospective immigrants will come from Oriental and Moslem countries, until such time as the Soviets will permit emigration and our brethren in Western countries will wish to settle in Israel.

The immediate problem is Algeria. This will be better presented to you by the accredited delegation of Algeria. Algerian Jews are of higher standards, and unless we are prepared to welcome them with the same treatment, the same good conditions extended to Western immigration, we will fail in our duty to save this Jewry for Israel.

Responsible institutions have decided to grant special treatment and better conditions to Western immigrants. This will not make it easy for prospective immigrants from Algeria to come willingly with their own means.

The word 'discrimination' is taking root through such declarations and intentions. The unity of our People of Israel, of which more than 50% are of Sephardi and Oriental stock, is gravely imperilled. **We have failed to save the remnants of our Moroccan brethren. Don't let us fail in Algeria!**

We, too, want wholeheartedly to receive in Israel our brethren from all countries — the more prepared the better — with their 'know-how', their experience and their means, but since not all Sephardi and oriental Jews are illiterate and many of them — particularly in Algeria — are very sensitive to such aspersions upon their conditions, we risk creating psychological and moral obstacles to their immigration and ingraining the idea that Jews in Israel are not equal in the eyes of the responsible authorities.

The delegates to this Congress should be aware of the gravity of this problem, which has to be met drastically, efficiently and rapidly, if we do not want recurrences of 'Wadi Salib' events with their bitter tastes and embittered feelings. What is right and is indispensable is full equality for all immigrants of same levels and same qualifications.

3. Prime Minister Ben-Gurion in his wisdom and concern to solve this critical situation is doing his utmost. He has recently nominated Prof. André Chouraqui as Personal Adviser on problems of fusion and integration of the tribes. This was suggested to him as early as 1949.

We are glad that a first step in the right direction has been taken, but unless an elected Advisory Council and Executive, including the World Sephardi Federation, backs Prof. Chouraqui in his efforts, and an adequate budget is placed at his disposal, the entire idea is doomed to failure. Should he fail, too, as we have failed to obtain understanding from the Jewish Agency and the various other Jewish institutions, more frustration will be created.

4. A programme of work in: Education — Housing — Constructive work and employment and attending to the youth, must be your and our joint concern. Such a programme cannot be executed in one year, but it must be spread over a period of 4 to 5 years, taking into consideration that until a young boy or girl is well prepared to enter the struggle for life, it takes about that number of years.

The millions in Israel Pounds it will involve will, no doubt, frighten all treasurers, but if these are not provided now as a preventive of sociological disasters "hallis" much more will be required to cure them once our youth remains unprepared for constructive work, decent livelihood and full integration in the Israel Society.

The challenge, therefore, is not only to the Israel Government but also to the Zionist Movement and all Jewish international institutions, since this has nothing to do with communal aspects, but it is a basic Jewish, Israel and Zionist problem.

5. The instruments now needed are: (a) Fully qualified teachers. (b) Spiritual leaders. (c) Social workers. (d) Schools fully equipped to house our youth properly. (e) Better housing conditions.

Without them, all other efforts will be palliatives and will not solve any basic problem.

All Sephardi and Oriental leaders of every party-denomination are united in these questions and it is now only up to our Ashkenazi brethren in responsible authority, who have the means, the organization and the 'know-how' to help us achieve these Jewish and Zionist goals.

6. For this purpose we have established a Post-Graduate College in Jerusalem, the "Metivtah Guedola Beit Haraabal". Notwithstanding ten years of continuous appeals to the Jewish Agency, the Zionist Congresses and other Jewish institutions, very little assistance has come forward, and such practical assistance as was extended to the Ramsgate College in London, is only a proof of the deep misunderstanding and evaluation of the situation.

7. Many Sephardi and Oriental communities in Europe, in the Balkans, in Moslem countries have disappeared, some have come to Israel, others have spread throughout the world. All left behind them treasures of historical documents, libraries, synagogues etc.

Our Federation wishes to be assisted in order to collect such treasures and have them in Israel, as part of the Jewish inheritance.

8. You will, of course, ask us why we have not done more since the Federation was established in 1951.

We repeat that we could not do much because of the fact we were not allowed and were not willing to make separate drives amongst our Sephardi and Oriental communities everywhere. Poor as these may be in many cases, a lot could have been obtained from them to help destroy the feeling of "Separatism" which does exist and which endangers our unity.

We have requested that the Jewish Agency grants the World Sephardi Federation — in which all parties are represented — a special allocation for their activities, by way of percentage on specific collections, as all Zionist parties receive. This was rejected, with the exception of the successful trial in the United Kingdom.

Alternatively, the Jewish Agency should provide the means required for specific projects proposed by the Federation and approved by the Jewish Agency. This, too has not yet been agreed upon.

The only way left, therefore, would be that the World Sephardi Federation should be authorised to make its own drives everywhere for the specific purposes of education, housing, economic assistance and integration, not parallel but supplementary to the Jewish Agency.

We do not believe that the Congress or any other institution has the right to leave the Sephardi and Oriental Jews permanently dependent on the good will of Ashkenazi leadership who do not want to, or cannot, appreciate the needs of their brethren of the Oriental communities.

As Zionists we want to share and share alike in our responsibilities to solve the above-mentioned grave problems, and this Congress, if conscious of its responsibilities, must help us in our tasks.

9. It will be to the advantage of the Jewish People and the Zionist Movement for your Congress this time to include Sephardi and Oriental members in all executive positions.

It is not in the interest of the Unity of our people to carry on feeding the Sephardi and Orientals with fine and lofty declarations when facts prove that they are not adequately represented in any department of the Zionist Congress, the Jewish Agency and their dependencies.

10. The Israel Branch of the World Sephardi Federation wishes to be incorporated as such in the Zionist Movement, Congress and the enlarged Jewish Agency. Procedural difficulties can be overcome if you have the will to do it.

It is our hope that at the forthcoming World Sephardi Congress we will obtain the full adherence of the Federation as a body to the enlarged Jewish Agency.

Meanwhile we would like that the Federation in Israel be admitted as associate, instead of fraternal members in line with our devotion to our Zionist Ideals.

For the Israel Branch of the World Sephardi Federation
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